REMARKS

Please disregard Article 34 amendments which were made in the International application. Applicants wish to enter the U.S. National Phase with claims as presented herein which are the claims as published in PCT/EP03/000493 with the present amendments to conform with the rules of practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Claims 2-12, 15-16, 18-23, 25-29, and 32-36 have been amended and claims 37-39 have been added The specification has been amended to recite the International Application and priority application. The word "CLAIMS" has been deleted and substituted by "WHAT IS CLAIMED IS" so that subsequently appearing claims will be the object of a sentence as specified by M.P.E.P. section 608.01(m). Claims 1-39 are presented for examination. No new matter is added by this amendment.

Enclosed herewith are: (1) a paper copy of the Sequence Listing, and (2) a computer readable version of the Sequence Listing.

VERIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 (f)

All of the sequences in the attached Sequence Listing are included in the application as filed. As required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 (f), I hereby verify that the data on the enclosed disk and the paper copies of the Sequence Listing are identical.

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CONCLUSION

Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned agent at the telephone number appearing below. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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